Patent Claims

- 1. A process for producing a discharge lamp, comprising the following process steps:
 - a. providing a discharge vessel,
 - b. producing a paste for a functional layer from the following components:

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- pulverulent base material,
- polyalkylene carbonate as binder,
- solvent,
- 15 c. forming the functional layer by applying the paste to at least part of the wall of the discharge vessel,
- d. if necessary, repeating steps b and c if more than one functional layer is intended.
 - 2. The process as claimed in claim 1, in which the pulverulent base material consists of a phosphor or phosphor mixture in order to form a phosphor layer (3) as functional layer.
- 3. The process as claimed in claim 2, in which the phosphor or the phosphor mixture comprises one or more components selected from the group consisting of BaMgAl₁₀O₁₇:Eu, LaPO₄: (TB, Ce), (Gd, Y)BO₃:Eu.
 - 4. The process as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, in which the pulverulent base material consists of a reflective substance or reflective substance mixture, in order to form a reflective layer (4) as functional layer.

- 5. The process as claimed in claim 4, in which the reflective substance or the reflective substance mixture comprises Al_2O_3 and/or TiO_2 .
- 5 6. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the pulverulent base material consists of a soldering glass or soldering glass mixture, in order to form a soldering glass layer (5) as functional layer.

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- 7. The process as claimed in claim 6, in which the soldering glass or soldering glass mixture comprises Pb-B-Si-O.
- 15 8. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the solvent comprises ethyl acetate.
 - 9. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the solvent comprises propylene glycol
- 20 diacetate.
 - 10. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the binder polyalkylene carbonate forms approx. 0.5 to 2% by weight, in particular 1 to 1.5% by weight.
 - 11. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the polyallkylene carbonate used as binder is polypropylene carbonate.

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- 12. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the paste is applied by spraying, dispensing or screen printing.
- 35 13. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the discharge lamp is designed as a flat discharge lamp and the discharge vessel comprises two substantially planar plates (1, 2) which are joined to one another in a gastight manner.

14. The process as claimed in one of the preceding claims, in which the discharge lamp is designed for operation based on dielectric barrier discharges.